



## Grade 6 Reconfiguration Fundy High

**PSSC: BBES, BHS, SGES & PES**

List of Questions Raised by BBES PSSC	
What are the key drivers behind the decision to reconfigure grade 6 in the region?	
What is the regional plan for other local schools such as Back Bay Elementary?	
What other model schools can serve as a successful middle school/high school approach?	
What is the impact at St. George & Blacks Harbour including budget, teaching positions etc.?	
What are the design specifics for the proposed middle school/high school model at FHS?	
Will a tour of FHS and proposed layout be provided?	
How will the proposed middle school plan ensure a separation of the students throughout the school day, specifically: recesses (indoor/outdoor), lunch, gym time, recreation etc.?	
A distinct identity is important for middle school – what is the proposal, including budget?	
What recreation and physical activity upgrades are proposed for middle school students?	
How will the after school activity program at FHS accommodate grade 6?	
Will French immersion continue to be offered in grade 6?	
How will transportation/busing be impacted? Routes, times, drop off area, dismissals, interaction with high school students etc.	
What is the proposed administrative structure, specifically will dedicated middle school administrators and a guidance counselor be provided?	
What is the overall fiscal budget to accommodate the proposed reconfiguration?	
What is the timeline proposed to evaluate this proposal and will further consultation with affected communities be accommodated?	
Concerns/Statements from SGES PSSC	
Do not feel that a reconfiguration in the best interest to students.	
In addition, we are further concerned that the proposal, compiled by Mr. Norman in 2011, for the case of reconfiguration, should it go ahead, appears to have been removed from the discussion all together.	
Mr. Norman's proposal addressed numerous key issues and brought forward items that would need attention should grade 6 students move to FHS?	

In review, in the current, we are opposed to the reconfiguration of grade 6 students to Fundy High School however we are open to a direct dialogue with Mr. Fowler and or the DEC to discuss this matter further.	
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What has been looked at as far as capital money? Example: An enormous amount of capital money has been spent upgrading BHS over the last few years and yet we are running our school at well less than 50% capacity. We recently lost students from grade 5 feeding into BHS. With the proposed loss of yet another student population would it make good financial sense to put all that money into a school just to have less of a student population?	
What is best for all students in Charlotte County? K-5 Schools with a 6-12 school... what data supports this?	
What has been looked at from the study that was done a few years ago with Charlie Norman? What middle school concepts will be used from that study? Any? All? Some?	
Will changes be made to FHS to accommodate grade 6 students? Are the recommendations from the study going to be implemented or will students go into the "middle" level as is? Will there be money spent to make changes to the building as suggested in the study?	
Parents are asking "What will a school day look like for a grade 6 student?"	
And for BHS what will be our losses? Will less of a student population mean we have less to offer our K-5 students and students entering BHS in the future?	
The loss of students means loss of resources/employees and potentially more sharing of personnel between schools (resource, literacy, etc.).	
<b>List of Concerns Raised by PES PSSC</b>	
What is the plan/design for the new schools (Middle and High School)?	
How is the plan going to ensure a separation of the students of both schools throughout the whole day?	
Is the Middle School going to have its own identity?	
Is there enough gym time in the day to accommodate the new students?	
Will French immersion be re-offered in grade 6 even if it was offered in grade 3 at SGES?	
What is the budget and long term plan for the High School and Middle School?	